1: Conzemius M-4, 5 (1921) 1932
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805 the year of 12 months has been adopted. The names of the latter are the following:

Month	Miskito	Twahka and Panamaka
January	*Aladi kati* "New Year's Day month"	*Aladi wāiniko.*[1]
	Mani raya kati "New year month"	
	Inupu kati "guácimo (bastard-cedar) month."[2]	*Inipu wāiniko.*
February	*Kuswa kati* "tortoise month"	*Kowa wāiniko.*
	Islu kati "garrobo (or ishwilly lizard) month."	
March	*Kahamuk kati* "iguana month"	*Kama wāiniko.*
April	*Wli wāiniko kati* "male-turtle month"	*Wili almuk wāiniko.*
	Kut prildi kati "Good Friday month"	
May	*Wli mārirn kati* "female-turtle month"	*Wili yal wāiniko.*
	Pisbo kati, tisbo kati "masica (or breadnut tree) month."	*Pisbo wāiniko.*
June	*Li kati* "rain month"	*Wasma wāiniko.*
	Pupu wihta kati "Pleiades month"	
	Yahwras kati "wild-cane month"[3]	
July	*Pastara kati* "high-wind month"	*Dapa wāiniko* "wild-cane month."[3]
August	*Sikla kati* "sikla month"[4]	*Sikla wāiniko.*
September	*Wis kati* "wis month"[5]	*Tiwis wāiniko.*
October	*Sāut kati* "south-wind month"	*Saut wāiniko.*
	Prari kati "hurricane month"	*Prari wāiniko.*
November	*Yahbra kati* "north-wind month"	*Yahbra wāiniko.*
December	*Krismas kati* "Christmas month"	*Krismas wāiniko.*

[1] *Aladi* is corrupted from the English "holiday."
[2] This tree flowers in January.
[3] The wild cane flowers in June or July.
[4] A migratory bird which arrives in August.
[5] A migratory bird which arrives in September; it is a species of flycatcher (*Tyrannus intrepidus*).

The behavior of the elements, the opening of certain flowers, the maturing of certain fruits, the song of certain birds, and the spawning time of certain animals, each in its season, are thus the almanac of the Indians.

●902 NUMERATION.—The numeral system is vigesimal, but in Honduras both Miskito and Sumu count by tens also (vide Conzemius, d: 81–82). High numbers are now generally expressed in English or in Spanish but in former days this was done by the word "many, much" or by a handful of sand or hair.

2: Kirchhoff E-4 (no date) 1948
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MYTHOLOGY

The literature, reported mainly from the *Mosquito* and *Sumo*, includes the many songs. An extensive folklore includes stories of the chase, of fishing, and of war. Quasi-historical tales speak of mysterious tribes who preceded the present inhabitants in the region. A migration legend says that the former home of the *Mosquito* and *Sumo* was on the Isthmus of Rivas. The *Sumo* version of a creation legend recounts the common origin of the *Mosquito* and *Sumo*.

LORE AND LEARNING

Rules of etiquette are elaborate even in everyday life. Time may be measured by the number of knots on a string or by pebbles placed in a gourd. The year was formerly divided into 13 months, the last of which was occasionally dropped in order to keep the months in adjustment with the seasons. The *Mosquito* and *Sumo* employ a vigesimal numerical system.

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